

REMARKS

This Amendment is being submitted under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a) and its entry is respectfully requested prior to payment of the issue fee. In reviewing the specification and claims in this application upon receipt of the Notice of Allowability mailed by the Patent and Trademark Office on April 8, 2004, Applicant's undersigned representative noted certain typographical and stylistic errors that can be corrected without changing the scope of the specification and claims as submitted with the previous amendment. Therefore, appropriate clarifying amendments have been made with regard to the specification and claims 2, 4, 6, 13, 19, 22, 26, 27, 32, 34-36, and 40. These amendments are not believed to require any further substantive examination by the Examiner.

If there is any additional matter that may be resolved by telephone or fax, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned to expedite issuance of this application.

Applicants do not believe that any fees are due in connection with this submission. However, if such petition is due or any fees are necessary, the Commissioner may consider this to be a request for such and charge any necessary fees to deposit account 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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